Santa Claus will appear in

our window Monday, De-cember 17th.

and every day

and evening

### THERE IS DANGER OF THE SPREAD OF THE SMALLPOX IN VIRGINIA

The Disease Is in a Very Mild Form, and It Is Hard to Make the People Believe It Is the Dreaded Infection--It May Become Virulent. Expert Diagnosis Suggested.

As the cold weather approaches un- , dangerous, and confluent form. easiness increases on account of smallpox where it exists in the counties, and the country press has frequent notes of

The State Board of Health sizes up the situation in a few words in its Octo-ber report, which says:

BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT. "While small-pox has prevailed in al-most every section of the State for the last two years, yet it has been of such a mild type that it has caused but little alarm, and the death-rate has been less than one per cent. In this has been the danger. The trouble has been in many localities to get the disease properly recognized by its true name. I regret to state that in almost every instance as difference of opinion or disagreement as to the diagnosis has been traced to some 'doubting Thomas' of our profession, whose views were too readily adopted by the laity, who are always willing to fol-low such a lead from commercial consid-

THE PEOPLE INDIFFERENT. The Charlottesville Progress, in a re-cent issue, devotes its leading editorial

to the subject:

There is at present, in various portions of Virginia, an epidemic which the physicians have generally pronounced small-pox. It has not aroused much anxiety among the people or account of the mild form and low percentage of deaths caused by the disease. Certain physicians have been in doubt as to what to call it. Some have pronounced it Cuban chicken. to the subject: Some have pronounced it Cuban chicken-pox. Cuban itch, and impetigo contagiosa. Whenever expert authority has been called in it has without exception pronou ed the disease a discreet form of small-pox, and liable at any time to assume a

Certain cases of this disease have come under the observation of the various phy-sicians of Albemarle county and of Char-lottesville, and they have unhesitatingly unced it a mild form of small-pox. and have urged the necessity of taking every precaution to prevent its spread. Many of these physicians have treated Many of these physicians have treated small-pox at some time in their professional career, while others have had exceptional advantages in the hospitals for contagious diseases in New York city for diagnosing the various forms of small-pox. But while the opinions of all the local physicians are nuanimous, there is a belief among a large portion of the ninformed" that they are mistaken in

their diagnosis.
GOVERNMENT EXPERT. In view of the great possibilities of danger, as the result of the lack of fear of the disease by those most liable to suffer from indifference, we suggest that a Government expert be secured at once to examine the cases now reported to exist among the negroes near North Garden. An expert is ready to come if desired by the health officer of the county, and if for no other reason than to satisfy the public that the physicians have been the public that the physicians have been right in enforcing a strict quarantine, he should be secured without delay. More than this, it is necessary that public sentiment should be unanimous in taking needed precautions to prevent the spread of this epidemic. It is mild now, but it may not long continue so. Cold weather is approaching, when it may be expected to assume a more violent form.

The same conditions exist in a number of Virginia counties as that described

of Virginia counties as that describe and the advice applies to them as well as to the county of Albemarle

## SPLENDID BUILDING TOBE ERECTED FOR THE VIRGINIA MECHANICS' INSTITUTE

It Will Be at Eleventh and Broad Streets, Four Stories High With Basement-There Will Be an Auditorium That Will Seat Six Hundred People-Noland and Baskervill are the Architects and Mr. Houston

The building will be four stories high, will have an ample basement. It be built of white Powhatan bricks, sills and lintels with belt courses, sills and lintels of firessed sandstone to harmonize with the

The ornamental work at both the front and side entrances is to be carved out of the same stone as the other trimmings, but the steps and porch cheeks are to

De of granne.

The whole building will be heated with steam and lighted with both gas and

In the basement are located the rooms for the remodeling class, the heating apparatus, and four large rooms which will be used for a permanent mechanical actions.

On entering the main front hall the library occupies the left-hand side of the front partial of the building the rooms opposite being used for the office | Board of Directors.

its class in the city.

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to give a full view of the stage from all parts of the room. The front of the second floor and all of the third and fourth floors are occupied by the various s-rooms and class-rooms in connecclass-rooms and class-room
tion therewith.

Mr. A. C. Houston has the contract
to erect the building.

HAS DONE MUCH GOOD.

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The Mechanics' Institute has accomplished much good. Many young men who were forced to work during the day have attended the Night School of Technology, and a number of them have after graduation secured lucrative positions. Mr. W. J. Whitehurst is president and Captain Thomas Ellett is secretary of the institute. Colonel C. P. E. Burgwyn is principal of the Night School of wyn is principal of the Night School of

in the city are members of the

as the day on which to turn the new

## BURROUGHS LACKS

Thousand Weddings.

GROWN GRAY IN THE SERVICE.

He Tells Why He Came to Be the Matrimonial Parson-From Small Beginnings the Business Has Grown to Large Proportions,

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) BRISTOL, VA., December 15.—Special. It is now about ten years since Parson A. H. Burroughs, of Bristol's Gretna Green, went into league with Cupid and began a marrying business, and he is trying mighty hard to round out his thousandth couple before the dawn of the new century. He now lacks, less than forty couples of reaching the thousand many.

than forty couples of reasons and mark.

Parson Burroughs, whose hair is now gray with the frost of declining years, is still vigorous and sprightly, and makes a good drummer for his Mecca. He has thoroughly mastered the science of distinguishing eloping couples, and his keen discernment seldom makes a mistake. "This way," says the parson, when he signals to a couple who has just alighted signals to a couple who has just alighted from the train. "This way," and ninety nine times out of a hundred the parson

HOW IT CAME ABOUT. Speaking about how he happened to ecome the matrimonial parson he said: "When I leased the Nickels house I had no idea of becoming the matrimonial purson for a large territory. One day, soon after I had entered the hotel busisoon arter 1 had entered the hoter obstruess, a stranger stepped into my office and asked me if 1 was not authorized to solemnize the rites of matrimony. I told him 1 was, whereupon he marched a sounde into my inches and from that couple into my parlor, and from that

a couple into my parlor, and from that day to this the eloping couples have been coming my way, and have always found me at home and ready to serve them."

NOT IN HIS CLASS.

Parson Burroughs took umbrage at an article recently published in a Richmond paper, classing Mr. J. W. Painter as a tuarson along with himself. The truth son along with himself. The truth is that Mr. Painter is not a parson, but a boarding-house keeper, and has been soliciting couples to go to his house, he arranging for a minister to come in and unite them in marriage. Mr. Painter in this way runs in opposition to Parror Burroughs, seeking to spirit away from the real Mecca as many couples as possible. It is due Parson Burroughs to say that he is a licensed minister of the

Smith & Wilson, the Government building contractors, have set the 22d instant

the Contractor.

The building to be creeted at Eleventh and reception-room. The whole rear portion of the building is utilized for the main auditorium, which extends through the first and second stories and has a gallery at the second-story level. This

A number of most excellent business

#### WHAT PARSON RURAL PREE DELIVERY.

Forty Couples More to Make a

to be divided among the heirs.
IN EXTREMIS.

ment. The rostoffice will be moved to its new quarters immediately after the

offices have been discontinued their mail reaches them twenty-four hours later. The free delivery now extends over an area of 50 square miles. Thirty-four carriers are employed in this territory. In the case of J. O. Echols and others against William Echols the Bristol and Knoxville property of the estate of the late A. B. Echols, who was a wealthy bachelor, has been ordered sold by the Chancery Court, the proceeds of the sale to be divided among the heirs.

J. M. Crowell, a wealthy citizen of Bristol, who owns many business houses in the central portion of town, is critically ill of Bright's disease of the kidneys,

over to the Govern-

The free rural-mail delivery, recently managurated in Eastern Tennessee coun-ies, is causing some complaint, probably ecause the system is not yet down to science. Some patrons who have had prompt mail by going to a near-by postoffice, claim that since the post-offices have been discontinued their mail

J. M. Crowell, a wealthy citizen of Bristol, who owns many business houses in the central portion of town, is critically ill of Bright's disease of the kidneys, and cannot live long.

C. J. Dinan, a Bristol man, who has just returned home from Eastern Kentucky, reports that he had an experience with masked highwaymen, while crossing

#### INTRINSIC MERIT at a JUST and EQUITABLE PRICE has thoroughly ingratiated "GOOD LUCK" Bak. ing Powder in the affections of the people. Millions of housewives use no other kind. In the South and Southwest the demand for all other brands

combined falls below the sales of "GOOD LUCK." Manufactured by The Southern Manufacturing Co.

Richmond, Va.

the mountains in Kentucky. He was held up at the point of revolvers and his money sternly demanded. Mr. Dinan wanted to reach home in safety, and so, with as cheerful a disposition as possible, he handed over \$15 in currency, and he robbers thanked him and allowed him to move on without further molestation.

HE NORTH CAROLINA COURTS.

Important Changes to Be Submitted to the Legislature. (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 15 .- From all the indications it appears that one of the most important matters to claim the attention of the next Legislature will be the question of increasing the number of Superior Court judges and abolishing the two criminal circuits. There are tweive Superior Court judges now. The number will likely be increased to fifteen or sixteen if the plan now most talked of the coursed to the first.

is carried into effect.

The main reason for the increase is the tant that at present the judges cannot remain long enough in a county to dispose of all the business. It is found difficult to clear up the civil docket in counties like New Hanover and others, which are comprised in the criminal circuits, and which, therefore, have criminal court in addition to Superior Court; and in counties which have not the criminal courts unfinished to Superior Court; and in countes which have not the criminal courts unfinished civil matters have piled up until special terms of Superior Court have come to be about as common as regular terms. In Sampson, Pender, Lenoir, Columbus—in nearly all the near-by counties in fact—special terms have been found necessary recently.

Coupled with the proposition to increase the Superior Courts will be, as already indicated, the proposed abolishing of the two criminal court circuits which were two criminal court cerears which were established to meet the needs of rather large towns and cities and populous counties where there is a large negro element. There will be a strong fight to retain the criminal courts whether the Superior Courts are increased or not. It will be claimed, for instance, that in a city like Wilmington, Charlotte or Raleigh the criminal interests will certainly be neg-lected if it is sought to have all the cases, ivil as well as criminal, tried by one

court.

And right here, it is thought by many, will be the starting point for still another change in the judicial system of the State. Since it is mainly in the cities that there is such a large criminal docket, a plan will be devised by which the cities can dispose of many cases arising within their limits without sending them over to the nimits without sending them over to ane country courts at all. That is to say, there will be a recorder's court with enlarged jurisdiction, so that not only will the country be saved the expense of trying the majority of cases, but also the cost of feeding, clothing and housing prisoners until the time for court rolls around. The are many who think that such a cour is a positive necessity, unless considera-tions of economy and expedience are to be entirely ignored.

#### A Naughty Princess.

The Princess of Wales has confessed, says the "Gem," that when a girl she dreaded Latin and Latin grammar. "I remember once," said our Princess 'saying to my tutor, 'Didn't you tell ma that the Latin language is dead? 'Yes, your Royal Highness,' replied the good old man. 'It is a dead language

"'Well,' I replied, somewhat naughtily, I am afraid, 'I think it is very wicked not to let the dead rest. It seems very awful for bad boys and girls to be saying nasty things all day long about the dead.'"

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A SQUABBLE OVER THE TAXES.

Chesapeake District Obtains an Injunction to Compel the Payment of Its Proportion of the Taxes Collected for Schools.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) (Special Dispatch to The Times.)
NEWPORT, NEWS, VA., Dec. 15.—There is pending in the Circuit Court of old Elizabeth City county, to be argued either in chambers or at the February term, one of the most interesting and unique cases in the annals of the Virgina courts.

The style of the suit is "Chesapeake School Districtives. Jones, treasurer, et als." The action was instituted some two years ago by Hon. Frances Causey, of Hampton, for the purpose of com-pelling Jesse S. Jones, treasurer of Elizaboth C'ty county, to turn over to the Chesapeake School District its propor-tion of the school taxes collected upon certain property upon the United States reservation at Fortress Monroe. A tem-porary injunction was secured two years ago by Mr. Chusey, restraining the treasurer from paying out the taxes collected for district purposes on the reservation to the fund for county school purposes. The present proceedings is to make the injunction permanent. Messrs. Causey, Jones and Woodward represent the Ches-apeake District, and Colonel Thomas Tabb appears for the defendant.

The amount involved is only about \$700 a year, and there is in hand something over \$2.560, the collections for the past three or four years.

TAXES DIVIDED.

The school taxes are divided into three classifications. Ten cents on every hundred dollars' worth of property goes for State educational purposes; ten cents goes for general county educational purposes; ten cents is devoted to the district in which the collection is made. It is over the last-named item that the legal fight

the United States Government the propthe United States Government the property now included in the Fortress Monroe reservation, embracing, also, the shoal upon which the Rip Raps, or Fort Calhoun, was built. When the grant was made, however, it was expressly provided that if at any time the property was used for other purposes than expressed in the grant, it should revert to the Common

wealth.

When the Chamberlin Hotel was erected, the contractors, artisans, supply menand others, attempted to put mechanics liens on the structure. The attorneys for the hotel people argued, when the case came into the Federal Court of the Eastern District of Virginia, that the property was a next of the Linted States reserved. was a part of the United States reserva-tion, and, therefore, the laws of the State

did not apply.

A STARTLING DECISION.

Judge Hughes, who was on the bench at the time, then made the startling decision that inasmuch as the property had been used for hotels, wharves and other purposes not expressly stated in the grant, it had actually reverted to the State of Virginia. He, therefore, overruled the objection interposed by the attorneys for the hotel management and the liens were uly recorded.

It was shortly after this decision was given that Colonel Morton Marye, the State Auditor, agting our the advice of the the Attorney-General of the State, Major R. Taylor Scott, one of the most brilliant lawyers of the day, directed that all busiese on the reservation calon, then houses on the reservation, other than those used for Government purposes, be assessed and taxed as personal property This order was duly carried out and 'r were collected and have been collected DID NOT DIVIDE.

But, for some reason that has not developed, the treasurer, instead of distributing the taxes thus collected, turned the amount that should have gone to Chesapeake District into the general school fund. It was to put a stop to this that the injunction was obtained and it is to keep a stop put to it and com-pel the treasurer to turn over the proeach year to that district as they are collected; also to turn over the amount already collected and due; for the attor neys for the district claim that, even it an adverse decision should be rendered. the district is undoubtedly entitled to the taxes already collected, whatever may be the disposal of taxes that may be collected in the future.

TOWN OF PHOEBUS.

The importance of this point is seen when it is remembered that at the last session of the Legislature the town of Phoebus was incorporated and made a separate school district, whereas it was formerly a part of the Chesapeake District. Phoebus now comes in asking for a share of the taxes; but the attorneys for the d'strict, while admitting that there may be some reasonableness in the claim of Phoebus, do not admit that the town is entitled to one cent of the taxes in the future; certainly not to any that may have been collected in the past. In fact, have been collected in the past. In fact, they will undertake to prove, when the occasion arises, that Phoebus is not con-stitutionally a separate school district inasmuch as the bill chartering the town inasmuch as the bill chartering the town did not set forth that fact in its title, as the law provides. This Phoebus complication will likely play an important, though minor, part in the controversy. It can hardly, however, affect the main issue. The defendants contend, in the first place, that the reservation is United States property and is not, therefore. 2 states property and is not, therefore, a part of the State or the county; but it is a part of the county, it is a part of the county only, and not of any district in the county. Some six years ago Judge Peak, of the

County Court, authorized the red'stricting of the county and in that territoria distribution, the reservation was included this following logically on Judge Hughes cision and the action of the State

TO THE FEDERAL COURTS. The attorneys for Chesapeake District claim that the territory could not have claim that the territory could not have been included in such a district until it was declared to have reverted to the State; but having so reverted, was amen-able to the State regulations as to de-lineation of districts, as well as in other respects, and, therefore, is properly with-in Chesapeake District. Moreover, they argue that the Government itself has rec

argue that the Government itself has recognized the right of the State to tax certain property at Old Point, for in the grant to the Chamberlin Hotel it is expressly provided that the hostelry shall be subject to State taxation.

Although neither side is anxious to bring out this question of the reversion of the reservation to the State too prominently, yet it is a most obtrusive point and there are indications that the case will yet get into the Federal Court and will go to the highest court of the land before it is finally disposed of.

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course was strikingly shown by the vote in Greater New York, which proved that all Bryan's earnest adherents cast their strength and influence with Tammany, Mr. Croker then did all he could do for his party and its candidate. And that the party leaders all agree in this opinion is shown by Mr. Bryan's post-election acknowledgments and those of Senator

the president of the National Association,

betterment of his fellowmen.

I met Mr. Andrew Carnegle. He is a simple, unassuming business man, with a magnificent stock of moral as well as physical courage. He is intensely earnest. "I am an optimist," he said to me on one occasion. "I have built many air-castle in my day, but the realization has far ex-ceded the visionary creations. As to the American people. I have the most absolute belief that in time they will solve the question of Imperialism and all the other roblems that confront them. Colonies

problems that confront them. Colomes held as dependencies have no place in the American system."

HON. CARL SCHURZ.

Carl Schurz appeared to me to be wrapped up in the consciousness of his own intellectual superfority. That I regard as his great weakness. Because of a great family bereavement, he made only one his great weathers. Because of a great family bereavement, he made only one set speech in the campaign, but he made amends by the many able articles that he wrote for the newspaper. His ability cannot be questioned, but I think there are many persons that believe his advo-cacy of a cause would be more effective

magnificent work.
Set ator Hill has great Presidential timber in his mental and political make-up. There is an impression, I think, that he is indifferent to the other sex. His magnificent offering of flowers to Mrs. Bryan convinced me that this side of his character is as well rounded out as are all the other ones. magnificent work.

of speech.

of speech.

Webster Davis, I look upon as one of the very best stump-speakers in the Upited States.

Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, is a typical Western politician, and a successful one at that. He will always be a dominant factor in the politics of Chicago, but that he will ever be a Presidential nominee, I do not for a moment believe.

JUDGE ALTGELD.

Ex-Governor Altgeld has great intellectual power, but I seriously question

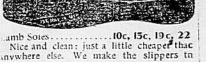
Ex-tovernor Angelu has great intellec-tual power, but I seriously question whether he will ever be a political factor again. He has been linked in an un-pleasant way with the Amarchests, either as advocate or apologist. His friends claim that in this grave injustice has been done him. The imputation has been done him. The imputation has marred his usefulness. John E. Stanchfield is a cool, self-



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## JUDSON HARMON FOR PRESIDENT IN 1904, SAYS MR. C. C HUGHES

If the Ohio Statesman is Not Nominated, Then David Bennett Hill Will Probably Be an Easy Winner-Croker for Chairman.

part did the Anti-Imperialist clubs play in the presidential campaign? What was their membership? The National Association of Anti-Im-perialist Clubs had, in the forty-five States

and Territories, a membership of over 700,000, and in it were included many of the leading citizens of the country. I will name a few of thousands: Anson will name a few of thousands: Anson Phelps Stokes, Andrew Carnegie, and Carl Schurz, New York; Judson Harmon, Ohio; E. M. Shepard, Brooklyn; Senator George L. Wellington, Maryland, With me on the Executive Committee were Governor the Executive Committee were downer.
Lind, Minnesota; J. I. Spaulding, Georgia; Colonel T. W. Higginson, Massachusetts; S. H. Smith, Kansas; the Rev. Dr.
T. S. Bacon, Maryland; W. I. Boreman,
West Virginia; T. E. Johnson, Indiana; F.
B. Schultz, Wisconsin; Colonel Edward P.
Steam, Dolawara, and Willis V. Patch. B. Schultz, Wisconsin; Colonel Edward P. Stacey, Delaware, and Willis Y. Patch,

MANY MEETINGS. The work done was of a general charac-

doubtful States of Indiana and New York. In New York large mass-meetings were held in Buffalo, Syracuse, Utica, Albany and other points. In Greater New York we held 1,656 meetings in all. These gatherings were adressed by 300 speakers, and the enrollment within the city lines was more than 100,000. The city vote proves how effective the clubs were.

was more than 100,000. The city vote proves how effective the clubs were.

The election over, the National Association of Anti-Imperialist Clubs was formally dissolved, and in its place a permanent league was formed. It is called "The American Liberty League." This body will have two standing committees—the Law Committee and the Congressional Committee. The former will be charged with the duty of bringing before the Supreme Court of the United States for adjudication all infringements of the Constitution, and the latter will attend to the work of gettirg up petitions to Congress in every Congressional district, urging congressmen to advocate the views of the League; and in 1962, in every district where a candidate has not been nominated whose views are in accordance with the ideas of the organization, it will become ideas of the organization, it will become the duty of the League to select a man pledged to support its principles. The American Liberty League has come to stay, and means to do all in its power to conserve the fundamental principles and theories of the fathers of the Republic so far as they apply to existing conditions. EMINENT MEN. My four morths' experience in the last

campaign was the first that I had in politics. It was most interesting, During the contest I met nearly all the leaders on the Democratic side, State and National. I studied them closely—particularly their methods ard mental characteristics. Mr. William J. Bryan, Mr. Stevenson, Senator Jones. Governor Stone. Congressman Richardson, W. R. Hearst, Willis J. Ab-Richardson, W. R. Hearst, Willis J. Abbott, John R. Stanchfield, Senator Mackay
J. K. McGuire, Frank Campbell, of the
State Committee of New York; Bourke
Cockran, E. M. Shepard, Horace White,
Norman E. Mack, Dr. Felix Adler, Carl
Schurz, ex-Governor Hill, Perry Belmont,
and scores of others almost equally eminent with whom I came in contact, deepity intersted me. I was, as it were, in a ly interested me. I was, as it were, in a In a short time. I found that some of the

In a short time. I found that some of the strongest men in the East, while deeply hostile to imperialism in every phase and form, were, nevertheless, because of the financial and other questions, in favor of McKinley. Among them were Wheeler H. Peckham. Oswald Ottendorfer, Andrew Carnegie, John G. Carlisle, Everett P. Wheeler and Abram S. Hewett. "My experience," said Mr. Hewett one day. "Is that in a national campaign the leadership rests, comparatively speaking, in a very rew men." That I found to be true. On the Republican side, Senator Hanna was unquestionably the dominant force in the direction of the campaign. He demonstrated clearly that he was a business man in the carrying into effect what was obviously the wire of the Democratic masses, that direction of the campaign. He demonstrated clearly that he was a business man in politics, with marvellous executive ability, and a rugged aggressiveness that swept everything before him with a. merclless, I might say brutal, spirit. It is not a matter of surprise, therefore, that Mr. Hanna, with these mental characterictics, tremendous energy, and unlimited campaign funds, elected Mr. McKinley.

NEW YORK, December 15.—What that the money and ability for leader-

can side. can side.

Now, as to the Democracy. The fact must be admitted that Colonel Bryan was personally the greatest factor in his own behalf, and that the bad management of his campaign cannot properly be charged to him. There can be no question that to him. There can be no question cashe is a giant intellectually, and that history will give him his proper place as one of the colossal figures of the closing century. I do not think that any man in the country could have won on the Chi-cago platform, as reaffirmed at Kansas City. Anti-imperialism was wisely made the paramount issue in the contest, and should have triumphed, but the fact can-not be lost to sight that people did not view it in that light, and that they gave Mr. McKinley the victory on the pros-

Mr. McKinley the victory on the prosperity and money issues.

I have no hesitation in saying that Mr. Bryan will be, in 1904, an utter and absolute impossibility as a candidate. I wish to say, however, that Colonel Bryan is still a young man, and there is little or no question that he will stand a good chance of being nominated and elected President eight or twelve years hence. The distinguishing trait in his character is his absolute honesty of purpose, and his great personal magnetism, which drew to him with cords of steel the friendship of all the leading men of the party, and the sympathy of the masses. sympathy of the masses.

JUDSON HARMON.

Judson Harmon, of Ohlo, Attorney-General in the Cleveland Administration, will, I believe, be the man, on a conservative platform. The Democratic party then the content of platform. The Democratic party then will naturally endeavor to elect their President by the votes of the South, supplemented by the votes of Ohio, New York and Indiana. If, for any reason, Mr. Harmon should fail to get the nomination, then it is my opinion that David B. Hill will be the man.

Senator Jones is a mun of ability, and a typical Southern politician, easy-going.

senator Jones is a than of a typical Southern politician, easy-going, genal and universally liked, but he lacks the intense aggressiveness and superb executive ability of Hanna. I realize, of course, that Senator Jones did not have the money that Hanna commanded; that the money that Hanna commanded; that his campaign fund was very small, indeed, but, despite that terrible disadvantage, I do think he might have done better, and that he virtually gave the Republicans many political advantages by not having been more careful in his campaign methods. He and Congressman Richardson, who directed the campaign in the East, were, as I said, handcapped by the lack of funds and it must be said that they did splendid work in the way that they did splendid work in the way of harmonizing factional differences in the State of New York. MR. CROKER.

I would like to say that there was one dominant spirit in the Democratic back-ground, and that if th's spirit had been in the foreground in Senator Jones' posi-tion, for instance, I believe there might have been possibly a different result. I have been possibly a different result. I refer to Richard Croker. In executive ability, uggressiveness and indomitable energy, he was the nearest approach on the Democratic side to Mark Hanna. Mr. Croker raised all the money expended in Greater New York, and, in addition, he obtained \$200,000 for use in the interior of the State. Previous to the election I had never taken any interest in the local politics of the metropolis. I had never met

highest admiration.

I became so interested in Mr. Croker that I made a close study of him. I believe that he went to Kansas City with one single object in view, namely, to aid in carrying into effect what was obviously the wish of the Democratic masses, that Col. Bryan should be nominated. I think Qir. Croker realized that Bryan's candidature was inevitable, and that to support everything before him with a merciless.

I might say brutal, spirit. It is not a matter of surprise, therefore, that Mr. Hanna, with these mental characterictics, tremendous energy, and unlimited campaign funds, elected Mr. McKinley.

MONEY AND LEADERSHIP.

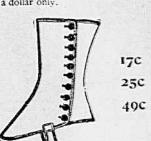
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Cooking back at the election, there is only one conclusion to be reached, namely.





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Jones, Gov. Stone and others, to the Tam-many chief.

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As a result of my close study of Richard Croker, from the point of view of a busi-ness men, I think he is a man of kindiy and loyal instincts, and I fully agree with Mr. John D. Crimmins that the charges respecting the personal direction of the pro-ceeds of the police vice-protection fund or funds are a slander, so far as Mr. Cro-ker is concerned. I think he is axious to see vice suppressed, and, to my rind, his sincerity is shown by the keen intreest he took in the initial movement to establish the Outdoor Recreaton League of New York, an organization that has done more to minimize vice in the tenement districts tann, I may say, all the churches com-bined. That League helps to rescue children from their pernicious surroundings and gathers them into gymnasiums and other places where they can have innocent

and healthful amusement and bealthful amusement.

To go back to the Anti-Imperialist movement and the men prominent in it, the country, in my opinion, owes a very great debt to Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes. He was and he gave most generously to the asso-ciation, both in money and personal ser-vice. The possessor of many millions, every instinct of his nature goes to the

are many persons that believe his advo-cacy of a cause would be more effective if he were a little more aggressive.

Bourke Cockran is a man of brilliant mind and great charm of manner. He did magnificant work

the other ones.

My impression of Mr. Jones of Tole b is that he is sincere. I was very much struck by his earnestness and directness

possessed, intellectual man. I expect to see him become the Governor of New York, and that in 1994 he will either be a candidate for the Presidency or be found supporting his old law partner. David Bennett Hill, for the nomination.

W. R. Hearst, I think, did more for the Democratic cause during the campa gn than did any other single man, speaking from a national standpoint. I expressed from a national standpoint. I expressed this opinion one evening to Chairman Jones. He did not agree with me. "Who then is the man?" I asked Senator Jones. "William J. Bryan," was the reply. Mr. Hearst has great business ability, generous impulses, and I do not hestrate to say that he would fill any political position to which he may aspire with credit to himself and to the country. Nathan Strans is always a tower of strength in

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